

**CITY OF OKOBOJI
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
TUESDAY, JUNE 16, 2015**

PRESIDING: Mayor Mary VanderWoude

COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT: Mendenhall, Robinson, Andres, Hentges, Delperdang

OTHERS PRESENT: Tom & Nyla Throckmorton, Joyce Waddell, David Stein, Brad Beck

After the Pledge of Allegiance, the Mayor called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. Hentges/Andres moved to adopt the agenda. All ayes. Motion carried. Robinson/Hentges moved to approve the consent agenda, which included minutes of the previous meeting 05/12/15, claims for June 2015, Clerk's Report ending May 2015, and cigarette permit renewals for fiscal year 2015/16. All ayes. Motion carried.

CITIZENS APPEARANCES

City Attorney, David Stein, at this time addressed the Council stating a meeting involving Councilmember Mendenhall, City Administrator Dennis Daly, Perry Pearson, Owen Primavera and himself was held previously. Stein stated the he had drafted a proposed ordinance as directed by the Council that would regulate the use of commercial docks in residentially zoned areas. Stein stated this was discussed with those in attendance but found the City currently has its current zoning ordinance in place that would regulate this. Stein went on to say that if a commercial dock application is brought before the city the Zoning Administrator would be able to make the determination that this would not be allowed in a residential district and would be denied. At that time as in any zoning denial it would trigger the process to be taken to the Board of Adjustment for review at which Stein foresees a denial based on the fact a commercial dock is not an allowable use in a residential district and could not be allowed. Issues concerning recommendations, IDNR issues, citizenry involvement, appeal procedures and allowable uses in lakeshore and single family residential areas were discussed. Stein and Daly were directed by the Council to send a letter to the IDNR advising them of the city wishes to adhere to its zoning regulations.

NEW BUSINESS

Council to consider casualty, liability and workers compensation insurance package for fiscal year 2015/16:

Joyce Waddell of Bank Midwest Insurance presented the casualty, liability and workers compensation insurance package to the Council. Waddell reported on the values of property for the next year. Waddell also stated there were no property claims nor workers compensation claims for the past year. Liability remained the same for the vehicles. Waddell stated the total package for the fiscal year 2015/16 is in the amount \$44,565.83.

Robinson/Hentges moved to approve the proposal in the amount of \$44,565.83. All ayes. Motion carried.

Council to conduct a public hearing to consider bids for the 2015 City of Okoboji Dixon Beach/Maintenance Building Sidewalk Replacement Project:

The Mayor now declared the public hearing open for comment to considers bids. With no comments the Mayor declared the public hearing closed. City Engineer Brad Beck was present stating one bid was received from Beck Excavating Inc. in the amount of \$186,157.60 which was 3.7% above the engineer's original estimate. Hentges/Delperdang moved to accept the bid in the amount of \$186,157.60. All ayes. Motion carried.

Council to consider Application for Payment No. 2 in the amount of \$104,479.48 payable to Grundman-Hicks LLC for the 2015 City of Okoboji Sanitary Sewer Lift Station Valve Vault Replacement project:

Robinson/Mendenhall moved to approve Application for Payment No. 2 in the amount of \$104,479.48 to Grundman-Hicks LLC. All ayes. Motion carried.

Council to consider future quarterly newsletters to be by electronic means only: City Administrator Dennis Daly stated that he and Mayor VanderWoude have met on this issue previously. Daly reported the City of Okoboji has a state of the art website that has all city information is posted. The time spent to stuff envelopes would be eliminated plus the cost for printing every quarter. Hentges/Andres moved to approve the city quarterly newsletters now be by electronic means only. All ayes. Motion carried.

Council to consider a donation to the 4th of July fireworks display: Hentges/Andres moved to approve a donation to the 4th of July fireworks display in the amount of \$250.00. All ayes. Motion carried.

REPORT OF OFFICERS

The Mayor reported no one was present for the police report at this meeting and wished to proceed with her reports. Mayor VanderWoude reported that she had ordered Officer Watters to monitor the parking situation at the Okoboji Boat Works boat show this past weekend. It was reported there were no issues per the Police Department. The Mayor did report however that even though residential property was used for parking during this event the city in the past was not successful in a court of law proving this activity was illegal and that this matter is for another day.

Councilmember Mendenhall reported that he has been approached concerning the newest police vehicle being unmarked. The Mayor reported that she had met with the police department concerning this issue and found that as a member of the drug task force it was necessary to have an unmarked vehicle for surveillance purposes. Mendenhall stated he agrees with the philosophical view of the citizens but that he also agrees with the issue of the drug task force.

Mendenhall stated that Gretchen Graham's daughter Colleen reported that some signage was placed on private property for overflow parking but was pleased they were removed immediately.

Expenditures for the month of May 2015 are as follows: Public Safety - \$27,880.30; Public Works - \$30,245.93; Culture & Recreation - \$636.68; Community & Economic Development - \$9,228.92; General Government - \$46,053.86; Water - \$373,630.90; Road Use Tax - \$7,149.94; TIF - \$52,398.00; Debt Service/Property Tax - \$484,575.19; Capital Projects - \$8,217.50; Trust & Agency - \$393.73; Revolving Funds - \$32,797.21. Receipts for the same period were \$204,278.67, creating a balance in all funds in the amount of \$1,436,951.73. \$222,211.38 of the reported balance is invested in Certificates of Deposit with the United Community Bank.

Robinson/Hentges moved to adjourn. All ayes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:00 P.M.

Mary VanderWoude, Mayor

ATTEST:

Dennis J. Daly CMC
City Clerk/Administrator